M/s. Nanhai Shangyuan Oualin Construction Ceramic Ltd., Guangdong was above the normal value during the period of investigation and as such no duty was imposed by the Government on imports of vitrified Porcelain tiles from M/s. Nanhai Shangyuan Oualin Construction Ceramic Ltd., China PR. No other exporter has so far been exempted from the said anti-dumping duty.

(d) According to the Directorate General of Safeguards, there is no such proposal under their consideration at present.

Funds for development of industries in Punjab

2304. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated by Government for development of industries in Punjab during the Tenth Plan, district-wise;

(b) the amount released and utilized by Punjab so far; and

(c) the target fixed and achievements made, so far in respect of growth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) The Government has formulated an Industrial Infrastructural Upgradation Scheme (IIUS) with a view to enhance international competitiveness of the domestic industry by providing quality infrastructure through public-private partnership in selected functional clusters/locations which have greater potential to become globally competitive. Under this Scheme, Textile Cluster Ludhiana District Ludhiana has been approved and Rs. 4.21 crore has been release to this Cluster during the Tenth Plan period so far.

The allocation of funds is made scheme-wise, and not State/District-wise. The implementing agency for this Cluster has so far incurred Rs. 0.58 lakh. Since the projects under this Scheme have long gestation period, the utilization of funds is generally slow. However, the Government is committed for early development of projects and timely release of assistance under the scheme.

Further under the Assistance to States for Developing Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE), Scheme, funds are provided for the developing for infrastructure for exports. The details of funds

(b) and (c) Agricultural and Processed Food Export Development Authority (APEDA) operates various schemes under which financial assistance is provided to the exporters for market development, infrastructure development, quality development, research and development and transportation. Efforts are constantly being made for opening up of new markets. As a special measure to boost export of milk and milk products, the dairy sector has been brought within the purview of "Visheh Krishi Upaj Yojana", under the Foreign Trade Policy 2004-09

(d) Does not arise.

India's Trade with G-8 Countries

2300. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum in terms of dollars of India's trade G-8 countries during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether any study has been carried out to look at the possibilities of other areas of trade;

(c) what is the percentage of India's trade with G-8 countries when compared with other countries;

(d) whether it is also a fact that imports from G-8 countries have also gone up in the last three years; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) According to available information India's trade (exports plus imports) with G-8 countries increased from US$ 36 billion in 2002-03 to US$ 41 billion in 2003-04 and US$ 48 billion in 2004-05.

(b) In order to enhance trade with various countries including countries of G-8, the Government has taken steps to promote dialogue at the highest level through summit meetings, Joint Commissions/Working Groups/Sub-Groups, Joint Business Councils and Joint Study Groups.

(c) The percentage share of G-8 countries in total trade of India ranged between 25 per cent and 31 per cent between 2002-03 and 2004-05.